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SUBJ: JOHN MARKS

REF: STATE 282735

DEPARTMENT MAY BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING THAT WHEN MARKS CONTACTED THE
EMBASSY HE TOLD THE PRESS OFFICER THAT HE HAD COME TO VIET NAM TO DO
AN

ARTICLE FOR HARPERS MAGAZINE, TENTATIVELY TITLED THE "AMERICAN LEGACY
IN VIET NAM". WE HAVE LEARNED SUBSEQUENTLY FROM OTHER AMERICAN
CORRESPONDENTS WITH WHOM MARKS WAS MORE CANDID DURING HIS BRIEF
STAY, THAT HE WAS HERE ON AN ASSIGNMENT FOR ROLLING STONE MAGAZINE.
ACCORDING TO THESE OTHER AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS, MARKS SAID HIS
STORY OF WORKING FOR HARPERS WAS INTENDED SOLELY TO GET COOPERATION
FROM THE EMBASSY WHICH HE FEARED HE WOULD NOT OBTAIN IF HE HAD
ADMITTED HIS ASSIGNMENT FOR ROLLING STONE. THE DEPARTMENT MAY
FIND IT USEFUL TO INFORM HARPERS MAGAZINE.
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